

**ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

The Examiner has required an election of one of the following species, namely:

- (a) Pharmaceutical dosage form that is a tablet (claims 117-137, 139, 159-162, 164-170, 175-179 and 198-200)
- (b) Bi-layered Tablet (claims 138, 140-158, 163, 171-174 and 180-197).

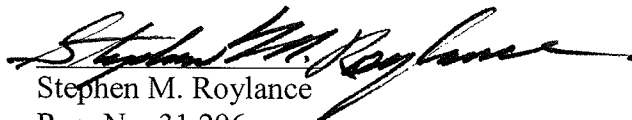
**ELECTION**

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicants elect (b), **Bi-layered Tablet**.

Currently all of claims 117-200 of record read on the elected species. In this regard, it is noted that a bi-layered tablet is merely a specific form of a dosage form and a tablet. In other words, a bi-layered tablet is a dosage form and still is a tablet.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

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